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GLOBAL COARSE GRAIN, OILSEED, COTTON ESTIMATES
FOLLOW DROP IN PROSPECTIVE U.S. CROP PRODUCTION

Region	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84 Proj.	
			July	August
	<u>Total Grains (Million metric tons)</u>			
World	1627.5	1677.9	1642.3	1617.1
United States	333.4	339.0	265.6	238.2
Rest of World	1294.0	1338.9	1376.7	1378.9
	<u>Oilseeds (Million metric tons)</u>			
World	169.8	180.6	176.2	172.1
United states	64.3	70.8	61.0	56.7
Rest of World	105.5	109.8	115.1	115.3
	<u>Cotton (Million bales)</u>			
World	70.7	67.6	65.9	66.3
United States	15.6	12.0	8.0	7.8
Rest of World	55.1	55.7	57.9	58.5

1/ Includes rice on a rough basis.

* Total world grain production in 1983/84 is forecast at 1,617 million tons, down 2 percent from last month's estimate and 4 percent below the record 1982/83 harvest. Hot, dry weather has significantly reduced U.S. crop prospects in the past month, while crop conditions have improved in Canada. Estimates for Western Europe and India have been raised slightly since last month. The Soviet grain crop forecast remains at 200 million tons, with a winter grain crop estimate of 55 million and a spring grain estimate of 145 million.

* Global wheat production in 1983/84 is projected at 480 million tons, marginally above last month's forecast, and matching the record 1982/83 crop. Foreign production in 1983/84 is projected up 3 percent from 1982/83, offsetting a forecast 14-percent drop in U.S. production. Since last month, favorable weather has improved crop prospects in Canada; forecasts also have been raised for Western Europe and Turkey. Projections for the United States and Eastern Europe are down slightly from a month ago.

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WORLD CROP PROJECTIONS

Projections of 1983/84 world crop production are highly tentative. For the Northern Hemisphere, the projections include winter grain crops now being harvested and spring crops such as corn, soybeans, and cotton that are in the filling stage. For the Southern Hemisphere, projections include winter grain crops that have been planted or are in the early vegetative stage and spring crops that will not be planted until this fall. Climatic and market developments over the next several months will continue to influence 1983/84 production prospects around the world.

Crop projections generally are based on surveys, historical trends in area and yield, and analysts' judgments. The indicated variations around projections in this report should encompass final outcomes about 2-out-of-3 times. The reliability of past world production estimates and measures of production variability are on pages 16-18.

Forecasts of 1983 U.S. acreage, yield, and production for crops, except for sunflowers, are from the U.S. Crop Production report released today by USDA's Crop Reporting Board.

This report draws on information from USDA's global network of agricultural attaches and counselors, commodity analysts, country and regional specialists, and the staff of the Joint Agricultural Weather Facility. The report is prepared by the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), the Economic Research Service (ERS), and the World Agricultural Outlook Board (WAOB).

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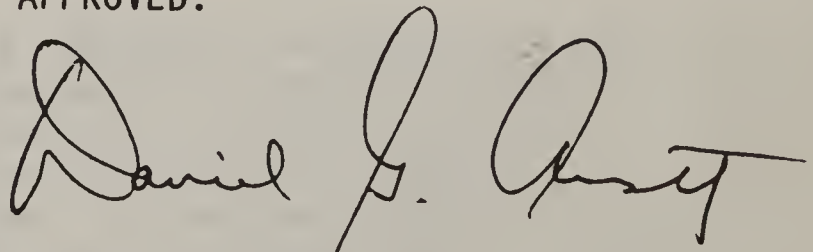
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- * World coarse grain production in 1983/84 is forecast at 716 million tons, down 4 percent from last month's forecast, and 8 percent below the record 1982/83 harvest. The U.S. forecast was lowered nearly 15 percent from a month ago due to hot, dry weather in July. Foreign production prospects only changed marginally in the past month.
- * Global rice production in 1983/84 is forecast at a record 420 million tons, virtually unchanged from a month ago, but 1 percent higher than the 1982/83 outturn. A higher area estimate is responsible for an increase in India's production forecast, while unfavorable weather and a reduced area estimate have resulted in a reduction in the production forecast for Japan.
- * World oilseed production in 1983/84 is forecast at 172.1 million tons, down 2 percent from last month and 5 percent from last year. A 7-percent reduction from last month in U.S. oilseed production to 56.7 million tons, compared to the record 70.8 million last year, accounts for most of the drop. U.S. declines are reflected mostly in soybeans. A shift from favorable growing conditions through early July to hot, dry weather in many key producing States has resulted in sharp crop yield losses. A slight rise in production for the rest of the world is indicated this month, largely because of a larger Chinese cottonseed crop.
- * Global soybean production in 1983/84 is forecast at 85.4 million tons, down 5 percent from a month earlier, and 10 percent below last year. A 4-million-ton drop in the U.S. crop estimate from last month to 50.2 million tons, compared to last year's record crop of 62.0 million, is the big reason. Most of the U.S. crop declines are widespread with the largest centered in Illinois and Indiana where the recent heat has been particularly severe. Early August rains in some key southern States may have benefited soybean yields.
- * World cottonseed production for 1983/84 is placed at 26.9 million tons, essentially unchanged from last month. A decline in the U.S. cottonseed outturn of 0.2 million tons is mostly offset by a larger Chinese crop.
- * World peanut production in 1983/84 is forecast at 18.9 million tons, down slightly from last month, but 1.3 million tons above last year. Reduced U.S. peanut yield prospects account for the drop with most major producing areas showing some decline from last year's very good yields.
- * World cotton production in 1983/84 is estimated at 66.3 million bales, 0.4 million above last month's projection, but 1.3 million below 1982/83. Larger foreign crop prospects account for the increase in world output from July indications. The Chinese crop estimate has been raised 0.5 million bales to a record 17 million, primarily reflecting a 3-percent upward revision in area. Elsewhere abroad, prospects remain near month-earlier levels. Overall, this season's foreign output is placed at 58.5 million bales, nearly 3 million above 1982/83. Conversely, the U.S. crop is forecast at 7.8 million bales, slightly below July indications and down more than 4 million from last season as both prospective harvested area and yields are down sharply. Smaller area primarily reflects reduced plantings due to acreage reduction programs, as well as larger-than-normal abandonment, particularly in west Texas, due to the current drought. Extremely dry weather in many areas of the Cotton Belt, coupled with a late

start, are dropping yield prospects about 15 percent below last season's record high. Still, the indicated yield for the 1983 crop remains near the 1978-82 average.

WORLD WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS THROUGH AUGUST 10

United States--Unseasonably warm temperatures continued into August from the Rockies to the Great Lakes and into New England. Cool weather prevailed over the West and near-normal averages were common in the Gulf Coast area. Rainfall was well below seasonal averages over much of the East with the virtual lack of precipitation after July 5 over major sections of the west, central and southern Corn Belt severely stressing crops. Corn entered the critical silking stage with insufficient moisture in late July and early August. The dry weather did aid maturation and harvest of winter wheat. Early August rains aided crops in the Gulf Coast States and into the Carolinas. Areas which had above-seasonal rainfall were the Pacific Northwest, Rocky Mountains, portions of the Great Lakes, northern New England, and south central Texas; however, unfavorable dryness has hurt cotton, particularly in west Texas.

USSR--In the main grain producing regions, the season continued without any major adverse weather episodes. Overall, yield prospects remain high. In mid-July, a combination of high daytime temperatures and limited precipitation in the central and southern New Lands possibly caused some damage to spring wheat. Topsoil moisture was reduced, but the crop was able to draw on reserves accumulated earlier. Temperatures in the New Lands then moderated and have remained cool. Adequate rainfall over portions of western Kazakhstan and the Urals maintained good yield prospects. The harvest has just begun in the southern Kazakhstan New Lands. In corn producing areas in the eastern Ukraine and North Caucasus, good rains late in July relieved dry conditions that had persisted since the end of June. These rains, however, probably arrived too late to prevent some yield losses in areas where corn was tasseling while temperatures were quite high. Later maturing varieties of corn and other summer crops benefited from timely showers late in July and early August. By the end of July, temperatures became more seasonal. Otherwise, European USSR had generally normal temperatures in July and, with the exception of its westernmost areas, about average rainfall. Weather conditions for cotton, sunflowers and sugarbeets indicate good yields are in prospect.

Europe--Recent showers relieved persistent hot, dry conditions in England, West Germany and Poland. In East Germany, southeastern West Germany, and western Czechoslovakia, however, heavy rainfall delayed the harvest. Showers in Bulgaria and Romania continue to benefit the corn crop, but persistent rain may have caused fungal diseases in sunflowers. Relatively dry crop areas in Hungary also were helped by recent rains.

Canada--Hot, dry July weather promoted rapid development of spring grains and oilseeds in the Prairie Provinces. Crops in northern growing areas were especially helped because cool, wet conditions this spring slowed early growth. Some premature ripening of grains was reported in southern grain areas. Hot, dry weather also lowered corn yield prospects in the major producing province of Ontario. Recent rain and cooler weather eased crop stress in Ontario's corn belt.

South America--Recurring heavy rains further disrupted agricultural activities in southern Brazil while dry weather aided the coffee and citrus harvests in Sao Paulo and vicinity. Dry weather covered Argentine wheat areas during planting, increasing moisture needs as vegetative growth begins this month.

Australia--In July, above-average rains in wheat areas of South Australia, Victoria and southern New South Wales aided early establishment of the wheat crop. Drier weather over Queensland and northern New South Wales eased excessive wetness and improved conditions for late wheat planting. Showers benefited newly sown wheat in Western Australia. Generally dry weather covered most of the wheat belt in early August.

Eastern Asia--Below-normal rainfall was beneficial for early rice in China's southern rice region, but more rain would help intermediate and late rice crops. Heavy rain in the Yangtze Valley created overly moist conditions for corn and soybeans in the reproductive stage. Needed rain fell on dry North China Plain crop areas. Moisture was generally favorable for Manchurian corn and soybeans.

South Asia--By the end of July, following a month of moderate monsoon activity in India, rains had moved north to the rice area of Uttar Pradesh. Most eastern rice areas received adequate moisture for crop development. Near-normal rains fell on the western coast where the wet season had come late. In peninsular India, cotton and groundnut areas are becoming too dry, and more moisture is needed as the crops enter the reproductive stage.

Southeast Asia--Near-normal rainfall stretched from Bangkok north through Thailand, benefiting rice and corn. In northern and eastern rice areas of Thailand, moisture was insufficient as the crop entered the reproductive stage. Parts of the central corn area were stressed by dryness as the crop tasseled. While rain increased in the Philippines, amounts are still below-normal. Heavy rainfall and high winds from a tropical storm damaged sugarcane and coconut trees on the central islands.

WORLD AGRICULTURAL WEATHER HIGHLIGHTS

Date AUGUST 11, 1983



World crop production summary 1/

Commodity	Major regions and countries									
						Centrally:				
						Planned	South Asia			
	United States	Canada	Western Europe	Eastern Europe	USSR	Asia		Paki-	Indo-	Thai-
						PRC	India	stan	nesia	land
Wheat										
1: 1981/82	76.2	24.8	60.9	30.5	80.0	59.6	36.3	11.5		0.0
2: 1982/83	76.4	27.6	68.1	34.7	86.0	68.4	37.8	11.5		0.0
3: 1983/84										
4: Jul proj.	66.3	28.0	66.6	32.2	85.0	76.0	41.0	12.0		0.0
5: Aug proj.	66.0	30.0	67.0	31.8	85.0	76.0	41.0	12.0		0.0
Coarse grains										
6: 1981/82	249.0	26.0	87.9	62.0	72.0	80.8	30.6			4.7
7: 1982/83	255.5	26.6	93.2	71.6	86.0	82.7	27.4			3.6
8: 1983/84										
9: Jul proj.	194.4	22.9	90.4	64.2	103.0	85.0	30.0			4.3
10: Aug proj.	167.3	23.0	90.5	64.4	103.0	85.0	30.0			4.3
Rice(rough)										
11: 1981/82	8.3		1.6	0.0	2.4	144.0	80.5	5.2	32.8	18.8
12: 1982/83	7.0		1.6	0.0	2.4	161.2	69.1	5.1	34.1	17.2
13: 1983/84										
14: Jul proj.	4.9		1.4	0.0	2.7	152.0	79.6	5.3	33.8	18.5
15: Aug proj.	4.9		1.4	0.0	2.7	152.0	80.3	5.3	33.8	18.5
Total grains 2/										
16: 1981/82	333.4	50.8	150.4	92.5	154.4	284.4	147.3	16.6	32.8	23.4
17: 1982/83	339.0	54.2	163.0	106.3	174.4	312.4	134.3	16.6	34.1	20.9
18: 1983/84										
19: Jul proj.	265.6	50.9	158.4	96.4	190.7	313.0	150.6	17.3	33.8	22.8
20: Aug proj.	238.2	53.0	159.0	96.2	190.7	313.0	151.3	17.3	33.8	22.8
Oilseeds 3/										
21: 1981/82	64.3	3.1	3.7	4.0	10.6	24.5	13.4	1.8	0.0	0.0
22: 1982/83	70.8	3.8	5.0	4.1	11.0	27.1	11.8	1.9	0.0	0.0
23: 1983/84										
24: Jul proj.	61.0	4.2	5.4	4.1	11.5	26.9	12.8	2.1	0.0	0.0
25: Aug proj.	56.7	4.3	5.4	4.1	11.5	27.1	12.8	2.1	0.0	0.0
Cotton										
26: 1981/82	15.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	13.3	13.6	6.4	3.5	0.0	0.0
27: 1982/83	12.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11.9	16.5	6.3	3.8	0.0	0.0
28: 1983/84										
29: Jul proj.	8.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	12.5	16.5	6.5	3.9	0.0	0.0
30: Aug proj.	7.8				12.5	17.0	6.5	3.9		

1/ 1982/83 estimates are preliminary. The 1983/84 projections are based on surveys, trends, and judgement of commodity and country analysts. Where available, USDA Crop Reporting Board estimates are used for the United States.

2/ Includes total of wheat, coarse grains, and rice shown above. Proj. 1983/84 Soviet crop of 200 million tons includes around 9 million tons of minor grains and pulses not shown in total above. The total Soviet grain crop is estimated at 180 million tons for 1982/83 and 160 million for 1981/82.

World crop production summary 1/---Continued

Major regions and countries					:	:	:	:	:
: Middle East	: Latin America	:	:	: Total for	:	:	: World	:	:
: and	: and	:	: Oceania	: major	:	: Other	: less	:	:
: Africa	: Caribbean	:	:	: regions	:	: Coun-	: United	:	: World
: South	: Argen-	:	:	: and	:	: tries	: States	:	:
: Africa	: Turkey	: tina	: Brazil	: Australia:	: countries:	:	:	:	:
---Million metric tons---									
2.3	13.2	8.3	2.2	16.4	422.2	27.0	373.0	449.2	: 1
2.3	13.8	14.5	1.8	8.8	451.9	28.5	404.0	480.4	: 2
1.4	13.0	11.5	1.8	17.0	451.8	26.7	412.1	478.4	: 3
1.4	13.3	11.5	1.7	17.0	453.7	26.7	414.4	480.4	: 4
8.8	8.1	18.4	23.4	6.6	678.2	87.3	516.5	765.5	: 5
4.3	8.7	17.4	21.4	3.6	702.1	77.5	524.0	779.6	: 6
10.2	8.1	17.6	23.9	6.3	660.3	82.7	548.7	743.0	: 7
10.2	8.1	17.6	23.9	6.3	633.7	82.6	549.0	716.3	: 8
		0.4	9.2	0.9	304.1	108.7	404.5	412.8	: 9
		0.3	7.8	0.5	306.3	111.6	410.9	417.9	: 10
		0.3	9.5	0.6	308.6	112.2	416.0	420.8	: 11
		0.3	9.5	0.6	309.3	111.1	415.5	420.4	: 12
11.2	21.3	27.0	34.7	23.8	1404.5	223.0	1294.0	1627.5	: 13
6.6	22.5	32.2	31.1	12.9	1460.3	218.1	1338.9	1677.9	: 14
11.6	21.1	29.4	35.1	24.0	1420.7	221.6	1376.7	1642.3	: 15
11.6	21.4	29.4	35.0	24.0	1396.7	220.4	1378.9	1617.1	: 16
0.0	0.0	7.1	14.3	0.0	146.8	16.3	105.5	169.8	: 17
0.0	0.0	6.8	16.2	0.0	158.6	15.7	109.8	180.6	: 18
0.0	0.0	7.8	16.6	0.0	152.4	17.4	115.1	176.2	: 19
0.0	0.0	7.8	16.6	0.0	148.3	17.4	115.3	172.1	: 20
---Million 480-pound bales---									
0.0	2.2	0.7	3.0	0.0	58.3	12.4	55.1	70.7	: 21
0.0	2.2	0.5	3.1	0.0	56.3	11.4	55.7	67.6	: 22
0.0	2.3	0.6	3.2	0.0	53.5	12.4	57.9	65.9	: 23
	2.3	0.6	3.2		53.8	12.5	58.5	66.3	: 24

3/ Totals for major regions and countries and other countries include the six major oilseeds shown elsewhere in this report, while world total also includes copra and palm kernels for countries shown plus other countries

0.0 - No production reported or insignificant production.

**Totals may not add due to rounding.

U.S. Crop Acreage, Yield and Production 1/
(Domestic Units)

Item	Harvested area				Yield				Production			
	: 1983/84 proj.		: 1983/84 proj.		: 1983/84 proj.		: 1983/84 proj.		: 1983/84 proj.		: 1983/84 proj.	
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83
All wheat	81.0	78.8	61.0	34.5	35.6	39.8	2799	2809	2437	2424	+45	+35
Winter	58.6	58.3	47.2	35.9	36.1	41.6	2104	2108	1937	1963	+35	+30
Other	22.4	20.5	13.7	31.1	34.2	33.6	695	701	500	461	-30	-30
Rye	0.7	0.7	0.9	26.6	29.1	30.0	19	21	26	26	---	---
Feedgrains	107.0	107.1	81.5	2.32	2.38	2.05	248.5	255.0	193.7	166.7	+9	+9
Corn	74.7	73.2	52.4	109.8	114.8	99.9	8202	8397	6200	5237	+350	+40
Sorghum	13.7	14.2	10.1	64.1	59.0	55.5	879	841	650	562	+40	+25
Barley	9.2	9.1	9.9	52.3	57.3	56.0	479	522	560	554	+25	+25
Oats	9.4	10.6	9.1	54.1	58.4	55.7	509	617	519	504	+25	+100
Soybeans	66.4	70.8	62.1	30.1	32.2	29.7	2000	2277	1990	1844	+100	+100
Rice	3.8	3.3	2.3	4819	4742	4637	182.7	154.2	107.0	107.1	+4	+4
All cotton	13.8	9.7	7.5	543	593	503	15.6	12.0	8.0	7.8	+0.7	+0.7

U.S. Planted Area for Major Crops 1/

Item	Wheat				Feedgrains				All			
	: Winter		: Rye		: Sorghum		: Barley		: Oats		: Soybeans	
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83
1981/82	66.0	22.9	88.9	2.6	3.8	84.2	9.7	13.7	123.6	67.8	14.3	301.0
1982/83	66.4	20.9	87.3	2.6	3.3	81.9	9.6	14.2	121.9	72.2	11.3	298.8
1983/84												
July proj.	62.5			2.8			10.5	20.2				
Aug. proj.	62.5	14.1	76.6	2.8	2.3	60.1	11.6	20.2	102.4	63.3	8.3	255.9

1/ 1982/83 is preliminary. The 1983/84 July projections are based on trends and analysts' judgement rather than U.S. Crop Reporting Board area and yield surveys, with the exception of winter wheat, barley, oats and rye projections which were published by the Crop Reporting Board July 12. All August forecasts from U.S. Crop Reporting Board.

Region/country:	Area		Yield		Production				
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84		
	proj.	proj.	metric tons per hectare	metric tons per hectare	metric tons	metric tons	metric tons		
United States	32.8	31.9	24.7	2.32	2.40	2.67	76.2	66.3	66.0
Canada	12.4	12.6	13.7	2.00	2.19	2.19	24.8	28.0	30.0
Western Europe	16.4	16.8	17.0	3.71	4.06	3.93	60.9	66.6	67.0
Eastern Europe	9.0	9.4	9.7	3.38	3.70	3.30	30.5	32.2	31.8
USSR	59.2	57.3	52.3	1.35	1.50	1.63	80.0	85.0	85.0
Gen. Planned Asia:									
PRC	28.3	27.9	28.6	2.11	2.45	2.66	59.6	68.4	76.0
South Asia									
India	22.3	22.3	22.7	1.63	1.70	1.81	36.3	41.0	41.0
Pakistan	7.0	6.9	7.0	1.64	1.67	1.71	11.5	12.0	12.0
M. East & Africa									
South Africa	1.8	2.0	1.7	1.31	1.16	0.81	2.3	1.4	1.4
Turkey	8.5	8.6	8.6	1.55	1.60	1.51	13.2	13.8	13.3
L America & Carib:									
Argentina	5.9	7.3	6.8	1.40	1.98	1.69	8.3	11.5	11.5
Brazil	1.9	2.8	1.8	1.15	0.65	0.92	2.2	1.8	1.7
Oceania									
Australia	11.9	11.6	13.3	1.38	0.76	1.28	16.4	17.0	17.0
Total above	217.5	217.3	207.9	1.94	2.08	2.18	422.2	451.8	453.7
Other countries	21.9	21.4	21.6	1.23	1.33	1.24	27.0	26.7	26.7
World	239.4	238.8	229.5	1.88	2.01	2.09	449.2	478.4	480.4
World less U. S.	206.6	206.9	204.8	1.81	1.95	2.02	373.0	412.1	414.4
Major foreign exporters	42.9	44.4	47.0	2.42	2.49	2.49	103.8	114.6	117.1

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 is estimated and preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends, and analysts' judgement.

2/ Includes Canada, Australia, Argentina, and EC.

Coarse grains area, yield, and production: World and selected countries and regions 1/

Region/country:	Area		Yield		Production			
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84	: 1983/84	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84	: 1983/84
	: Million hectares	: Million hectares	: Million hectares	: Million hectares	: Metric tons	: Metric tons	: Metric tons	: Metric tons
United States	: 43.6	: 43.6	: 33.3	: 5.86	: 5.02	: 249.0	: 255.5	: 194.4
Canada	: 9.2	: 9.3	: 7.8	: 2.85	: 2.94	: 26.0	: 26.6	: 22.9
Western Europe	: 24.5	: 24.0	: 23.7	: 3.88	: 3.82	: 87.9	: 93.2	: 90.4
Eastern Europe	: 19.8	: 19.7	: 19.6	: 3.63	: 3.29	: 62.0	: 71.6	: 64.2
USSR	: 58.0	: 58.0	: 60.7	: 1.48	: 1.69	: 72.0	: 86.0	: 103.0
Cen. Planned Asia:								
PRC	: 31.1	: 30.2	: 30.2	: 2.74	: 2.81	: 80.8	: 82.7	: 85.0
South Asia								
India	: 42.0	: 41.2	: 41.8	: 0.66	: 0.72	: 30.6	: 27.4	: 30.0
N East&Other Asia:								
Thailand	: 2.0	: 2.0	: 2.1	: 1.79	: 2.05	: 4.7	: 3.6	: 4.3
M East and Africa:								
South Africa	: 5.2	: 5.2	: 4.9	: 0.82	: 2.06	: 8.8	: 4.3	: 10.2
Turkey	: 4.3	: 4.3	: 4.2	: 2.01	: 1.95	: 8.1	: 8.7	: 8.1
L America & Carib:								
Argentina	: 6.4	: 6.3	: 6.0	: 2.74	: 2.91	: 18.4	: 17.4	: 17.6
Brazil	: 13.7	: 12.4	: 13.3	: 1.73	: 1.79	: 23.4	: 21.4	: 23.9
Oceania								
Australia	: 4.8	: 4.6	: 5.1	: 0.78	: 1.23	: 6.6	: 3.6	: 6.3
Total above	: 264.5	: 261.1	: 252.9	: 2.56	: 2.51	: 678.2	: 702.1	: 660.3
Other countries	: 84.8	: 80.2	: 83.7	: 1.03	: 0.99	: 87.3	: 77.5	: 82.7
World	: 349.3	: 341.4	: 336.6	: 2.19	: 2.13	: 765.5	: 779.6	: 743.0
World less U. S.	: 305.7	: 297.7	: 303.3	: 1.69	: 1.81	: 516.5	: 524.0	: 548.7
Major foreign ex	: 27.5	: 27.5	: 26.1	: 2.35	: 2.35	: 64.5	: 55.5	: 61.3
porters 3/								

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 is estimated and preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends, and analysts' judgement.

2/ Production is subject to considerable year-to-year variation. A measure of the reliability of the estimates by country is presented on page 17.

3/ Includes Canada, Australia, Argentina, South Africa, and Thailand.

Rice(rough) area, yield, and production: World and selected countries and regions 1/

Region/country:	Area		Yield		Production			
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84	: 1983/84	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84	: 1983/84
	Million hectares	Million hectares	Million hectares	Million hectares	tons	tons	tons	tons
United States	1.5	1.3	0.9	5.32	5.40	5.20	8.3	4.9
Western Europe	0.3	0.3	0.3	5.49	5.55	5.28	1.6	1.4
USSR	0.6	0.6	0.7	3.70	3.78	3.86	2.4	2.7
Cen. Planned Asia:								
PRC	33.3	33.1	33.3	4.88	4.32	4.56	144.0	152.0
South Asia								
Bangladesh	10.5	10.4	10.6	2.05	1.96	2.05	20.5	21.8
Burma	4.8	4.7	5.0	3.09	2.84	2.80	13.6	14.2
India	40.7	39.0	40.7	1.77	1.98	1.97	80.5	79.6
Pakistan	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.59	2.61	2.66	5.2	5.3
East & Other Asia:								
Indonesia	9.4	9.0	9.3	3.78	3.49	3.64	32.8	33.8
Japan	2.3	2.3	2.2	5.69	5.63	5.76	12.8	13.5
South Korea	1.2	1.2	1.2	6.15	5.84	5.95	7.1	7.2
Thailand	9.4	9.2	9.4	1.88	2.00	1.98	18.8	18.5
L America & Carib:								
Argentina	0.1	0.1	0.1	3.49	3.10	3.56	0.4	0.3
Brazil	6.0	5.4	6.2	1.46	1.54	1.53	9.2	9.5
Oceania								
Australia	0.1	0.1	0.1	5.88	6.70	6.50	0.9	0.6
Total above	122.2	118.5	121.9	3.06	2.93	2.99	357.8	364.9
Other countries	23.1	22.9	23.0	2.44	2.38	2.41	55.0	55.5
World	145.2	141.4	144.9	2.96	2.84	2.90	412.8	420.4
World less U. S.	143.7	140.1	144.0	2.93	2.81	2.89	404.5	415.5
Major foreign ex- porters 2/	16.3	15.9	16.4	2.34	2.36	2.34	38.4	38.4

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 is estimated and preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends, and analysts' judgement.

2/ Includes Australia, Burma, Pakistan, and Thailand.

Cotton (all kinds) area, yield, and production: World and selected countries and regions 1/

Region/country:	Area		Yield		Production	
	: 1981/82	: 1982/83: proj.	: 1983/84	: 1983/84 proj.2/	: 1981/82 : 1982/83 : July : August	: 1983/84/ proj.2/
	: ---Million hectares---		: Kilograms per hectare		: -----Million 480-pound bales---	
United States	: 5.6	: 3.9	: 3.0	: 608.	: 662.	: 564.
USSR	: 3.2	: 3.2	: 3.2	: 912.	: 813.	: 850.
Cen. Planned Asia:						
PRC	: 5.2	: 5.8	: 5.8	: 571.	: 616.	: 633.
South Asia						
India	: 8.0	: 8.0	: 8.0	: 174.	: 172.	: 177.
Pakistan	: 2.2	: 2.3	: 2.3	: 343.	: 361.	: 376.
M East and Africa:						
Egypt	: 0.5	: 0.5	: 0.4	: 1008.	: 944.	: 1089.
Sudan	: 0.4	: 0.4	: 0.5	: 433.	: 524.	: 435.
Turkey	: 0.7	: 0.6	: 0.6	: 746.	: 820.	: 814.
Central America & Carib:						
Argentina	: 0.4	: 0.4	: 0.4	: 383.	: 299.	: 324.
Brazil	: 2.1	: 2.1	: 2.1	: 312.	: 320.	: 336.
Cent America 3/	: 0.2	: 0.2	: 0.2	: 817.	: 859.	: 903.
Mexico	: 0.4	: 0.2	: 0.2	: 885.	: 886.	: 897.
Total above	: 28.7	: 27.5	: 26.8	: 482.	: 482.	: 478.
Other countries	: 4.5	: 4.8	: 4.8	: 343.	: 307.	: 335.
World	: 33.2	: 32.3	: 31.7	: 463.	: 456.	: 456.
World less U. S.	: 27.6	: 28.4	: 28.7	: 434.	: 427.	: 446.
Major foreign ex- porters 4/	: 7.5	: 7.3	: 7.5	: 708.	: 671.	: 693.

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 estimates are preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends, and analysts' judgement.

2/ Production is subject to considerable year-to-year variation. A measure of the reliability of the estimates by country is presented on page 18.

3/ Includes Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, and Costa Rica.

4/ Includes USSR, Pakistan, Egypt, Sudan, Turkey, Central America, and Mexico.

Soybean area, yield, and production: World and selected countries and regions 1/

Region/country:	Area		Yield		Production					
	: 1981/82	: 1983/84	: 1981/82	: 1983/84	: 1981/82	: 1982/83	: 1983/84			
	: 1982/83: proj.	: 1982/83: July	: 1982/83: August	: 1982/83: July	: 1982/83: August	: 1982/83: July	: 1982/83: August			
	---Million hectares---		Metric tons per hectare		-----Million metric tons-----					
United States	: 26.86	: 28.64	: 25.13	: 2.03	: 2.16	: 2.00	: 54.44	: 61.97	: 54.16	: 50.17
Canada	: 0.28	: 0.36	: 0.38	: 2.18	: 2.35	: 2.26	: 0.61	: 0.86	: 0.88	: 0.85
Eastern Europe	: 0.48	: 0.49	: 0.52	: 1.11	: 1.49	: 1.29	: 1.29	: 0.53	: 0.73	: 0.68
USSR	: 0.86	: 0.88	: 0.91	: 0.52	: 0.55	: 0.58	: 0.58	: 0.45	: 0.48	: 0.53
Cen. Planned Asia:										
PRC	: 8.02	: 8.41	: 8.10	: 1.16	: 1.07	: 1.17	: 1.17	: 9.33	: 9.03	: 9.50
South Asia										
India	: 0.40	: 0.45	: 0.50	: 1.16	: 1.04	: 1.00	: 1.00	: 0.46	: 0.47	: 0.50
L America & Carib:										
Argentina	: 1.98	: 2.12	: 2.25	: 2.07	: 1.65	: 1.96	: 1.96	: 4.10	: 3.50	: 4.40
Brazil	: 8.20	: 8.60	: 8.70	: 1.56	: 1.72	: 1.72	: 1.72	: 12.84	: 14.75	: 15.00
Paraguay	: 0.42	: 0.35	: 0.42	: 1.43	: 1.43	: 1.49	: 1.49	: 0.60	: 0.50	: 0.62
Total above	: 47.51	: 50.30	: 46.91	: 1.75	: 1.83	: 1.75	: 1.75	: 83.35	: 92.29	: 86.27
Other countries	: 2.36	: 2.42	: 2.48	: 1.23	: 1.19	: 1.27	: 1.25	: 2.90	: 2.87	: 3.10
World	: 49.86	: 52.72	: 49.39	: 1.73	: 1.80	: 1.73	: 1.73	: 86.24	: 95.16	: 89.44
World less U. S.	: 23.01	: 24.08	: 24.26	: 1.38	: 1.38	: 1.45	: 1.45	: 31.81	: 33.19	: 35.28
Major foreign ex- porters 3/	: 10.61	: 11.06	: 11.37	: 1.65	: 1.69	: 1.76	: 1.76	: 17.54	: 18.75	: 20.02

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 is estimated and preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends, and analysts' judgement.

2/ Production is subject to considerable year-to-year variation.

A measure of the reliability of the estimates by country is presented on page 18

3/ Includes Argentina, Brazil, and Paraguay.

Oilseeds production: World and selected countries, regions, and commodities 1/

		Major regions and countries							
							Centrally:		
Commodity		United States	Canada	Western Europe	Eastern Europe	USSR	Planned Asia	South Asia	
							PRC	India	Pakistan
		---Million metric tons---							
Cottonseed									
1:	1981/82	5.80	0.00	0.32	0.02	5.28	5.94	2.73	1.50
2:	1982/83	4.30	0.00	0.30	0.02	5.00	7.20	2.67	1.59
	1983/84								
3:	Jul. proj.	3.06	0.00	0.31	0.03	5.10	7.20	2.77	1.70
4:	Aug. proj.	2.84	0.00	0.31	0.03	5.10	7.40	2.77	1.70
Peanuts (In-shell)									
5:	1981/82	1.81	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	3.83	7.24	0.07
6:	1982/83	1.56	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	3.92	5.50	0.08
	1983/84								
7:	Jul. proj.	1.67	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	3.90	6.30	0.08
8:	Aug. Proj.	1.59	0.00	0.01	0.00	0.00	3.90	6.30	0.08
Sunflowerseed									
9:	1981/82	2.10	3/ 0.16	0.90	2.25	4.68	1.33	0.13	0.02
10:	1982/83	2.66	3/ 0.09	1.46	2.17	5.30	1.29	0.22	0.03
	1983/84								
11:	Jul. proj.	1.92	3/ 0.08	1.84	2.00	5.50	1.30	0.28	0.04
12:	Aug. proj.	1.92	3/ 0.09	1.77	2.05	5.50	1.30	0.28	0.04
Rapeseed									
13:	1981/82	0.00	1.84	2.43	1.13	0.03	4.06	2.36	0.24
14:	1982/83	0.00	2.11	3.16	1.05	0.06	5.66	2.50	0.25
	1983/84								
15:	Jul. proj.	0.00	2.75	3.23	1.31	0.14	5.00	2.50	0.28
16:	Aug. proj.	0.00	2.80	3.21	1.31	0.14	5.00	2.50	0.28
Flaxseed									
17:	1981/82	0.20	0.47	0.03	0.08	0.16	0.00	0.47	0.01
18:	1982/83	0.30	0.75	0.04	0.08	0.15	0.00	0.48	0.01
	1983/84								
19:	Jul. proj.	0.20	0.50	0.04	0.08	0.21	0.00	0.45	0.01
20:	Aug. proj.	0.21	0.52	0.04	0.08	0.21	0.00	0.45	0.01

1/ Totals and averages based on unrounded data. 1982/83 is estimated and preliminary. 1983/84 is projected based on surveys, trends and analysts' judgement.

2/ Countries included: India, Sudan, Argentina, and Brazil for cottonseed; Eastern Europe and Argentina, sunflowerseed; Canada, rapeseed; and India, Senegal, Sudan, Argentina, and Brazil, peanuts; Argentina and Canada, flaxseed.

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Oilseeds production: World and selected countries, regions, and commodities--Cont.

Major regions and countries											
Middle East and Africa			Latin America and Caribbean			Total for Major regions and countries	Other coun-tries and regions	World less United States	Major foreign ex-porters		
Egypt	Senegal	Sudan	Argentina	Brazil	Paraguay	Countries	regions				2/
---Million metric tons---											
0.80	0.02	0.31	0.29	1.16	0.18	24.35	3.78	28.13	22.43	4.49	1
0.73	0.04	0.41	0.21	1.24	0.15	23.87	3.45	27.32	23.02	4.52	2
0.72	0.02	0.44	0.28	1.27	0.20	23.09	3.80	26.90	23.83	4.76	3
0.72	0.02	0.44	0.28	1.27	0.20	23.07	3.83	26.90	24.06	4.76	4
0.02	0.88	1.11	0.26	0.29	0.02	15.53	4.34	19.87	18.07	9.77	5
0.02	0.96	1.00	0.19	0.22	0.03	13.48	4.13	17.61	16.04	7.87	6
0.02	0.95	1.00	0.14	0.26	0.03	14.36	4.62	18.97	17.30	8.65	7
0.02	0.95	1.00	0.14	0.26	0.03	14.27	4.61	18.88	17.29	8.65	8
0.01	0.00	0.00	1.81	0.03	0.00	13.42	1.12	14.54	12.44	4.06	9
0.01	0.00	0.00	2.20	0.03	0.00	15.47	1.13	16.60	13.94	4.37	10
0.01	0.00	0.00	2.30	0.03	0.00	15.29	1.58	16.87	14.96	4.30	11
0.01	0.00	0.00	2.30	0.03	0.00	15.27	1.59	16.86	14.94	4.30	12
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	12.11	0.20	12.32	12.32	1.84	13
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.79	0.21	15.00	15.00	2.11	14
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	15.22	0.23	15.44	15.44	2.75	15
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	14.24	0.22	13.47	15.47	2.80	16
0.02	0.00	0.00	0.60	0.00	0.00	2.04	0.05	2.09	1.89	1.07	17
0.02	0.00	0.00	0.73	0.00	0.00	2.54	0.04	2.58	2.28	1.48	18
0.02	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.00	2.15	0.04	2.19	2.00	1.15	19
0.02	0.00	0.00	0.65	0.00	0.00	2.19	0.04	2.23	2.02	1.18	20

3/ Assumes reported production for four States representing 97 percent of U.S. total.

--- No production reported or less than 5,000 tons.

COARSE GRAINS: RELIABILITY OF AUGUST WORLD CROP PRODUCTION FORECASTS

Region	: Standard Error of Estimate :		: Ten Year Record of Difference :						
	: from :		: Between August Forecast & Final :						
	: Trend-68% Confidence Level :		: Estimate :						
	: Percent :	: Quantity :	: Average :	: Average :	: Smallest :	: Largest :	: Number of Years ^{2/} :		
			: Percent :				: Below :	: Above :	
		Million MT			(-----Million MT-----)		: Final :	: Final :	
<u>North America</u>									
Canada	: 8.5	2	: 7.1	2	<u>1/</u>	3	: 5	3	
United States	: 6.9	18	: 8.8	19	<u>3</u>	45	: 5	4	
<u>Western Europe</u>	: 5.8	6	: 4.4	4	1	10	: 6	3	
<u>Eastern Europe</u>	: 3.3	2	: 3.8	3	-	9	: 6	3	
<u>Oceania</u>									
Australia	: 19.9	1	: 21.6	1	-	2	: 4	5	
<u>South Asia</u>									
India	: 5.7	2					: NA	NA	
<u>Centrally Planned Asia</u>									
China	: 2.9	3					: NA	NA	
<u>Near East & Other Asia</u>									
Thailand	: 13.2	1	: 9.2	1	-	1	: 2	4	
<u>USSR</u>	: 19.4	15	: 10.6	10	3	24	: 4	5	
<u>Middle East and Africa</u>									
South Africa	: 31.3	3	: 32.3	2	-	7	: 5	4	
Turkey	: 5.5	1					: NA	NA	
<u>Latin America & Caribbean</u>									
Argentina	: 18.0	3	: 16.5	3	1	5	: 5	4	
Brazil	: 9.6	2	: 11.0	3	-	5	: 4	4	
<u>Total Above</u>			: 4.2	23	2	53	: 7	2	
<u>Others</u>	: 4.3	4	: 2.2	4	-	9	: 6	2	
<u>World Total</u>	: 2.9	23	: 3.2	23	1	52	: 5	4	
<u>World Less U.S.</u>	: 3.0	16	: 2.1	10	4	26	: 3	6	
<u>Major Competitors ^{3/}</u>	: 8.1	5	: 6.9	5	1	11	: 3	7	

^{1/} Less than 500,000 tons.

^{2/} May not add up to 10 if August estimate was the same as final.

^{3/} Includes Canada, Australia, Argentina, S. Africa and Thailand.

NOTE 1: N/A means no published forecasts are available.

NOTE 2: Standard errors of the estimates are derived from 10 year production trends, 1973-1982; percent error is calculated at the mean. The 10 year record is based upon absolute differences from final estimates.

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WHEAT: RELIABILITY OF AUGUST WORLD CROP PRODUCTION FORECASTS

Region	: Standard Error of Estimate :		: Ten Year Record of Difference :						
	: from :		: Between August Forecast & Final :						
	: Trend-68% Confidence Level :		: Estimate :						
	: Percent :	: Quantity :	: Average :	: Average :	: Smallest :	: Largest :	: Number of Years ^{2/} :		
			: Percent :				: Below :	: Above :	
			: Final :				: Final :	: Final :	
	: Million MT :		: (-----Million MT-----): :						
<u>North America</u>									
Canada	: 12.0	: 3	: 10.6	: 2	: 1	: 4	: 7	: 2	
United States	: 8.0	: 6	: 2.7	: 2	: 1/	: 4	: 5	: 3	
<u>Western Europe</u>	: 7.2	: 5	: 5.2	: 3	: 1	: 5	: 6	: 3	
<u>Eastern Europe</u>	: 9.1	: 3	: 6.2	: 2	: 1	: 4	: 5	: 4	
<u>Oceania</u>									
Australia	: 24.6	: 3	: 24.9	: 3	: 1	: 6	: 4	: 5	
<u>South Asia</u>									
India	: 5.1	: 2	: 4.8	: 2	: -	: 3	: 6	: 3	
Pakistan	: 4.6	: 1					: NA	: NA	
<u>Centrally Planned Asia</u>									
China	: 6.7	: 5					: NA	: NA	
<u>USSR</u>	: 18.0	: 16	: 13.1	: 12	: -	: 24	: 5	: 4	
<u>Middle East and Africa</u>									
South Africa	: 13.6	: -					: NA	: NA	
Turkey	: 8.9	: 1					: NA	: NA	
<u>Latin America & Caribbean</u>									
Argentina	: 20.9	: 3	: 18.6	: 2	: -	: 5	: 4	: 5	
Brazil	: 22.6	: 1					: NA	: NA	
<u>Total Above</u>			: 7.1	: 25	: 1	: 51	: 3	: 6	
<u>Others</u>	: 7.1	: 2	: 4.2	: 3	: -	: 6	: 5	: 4	
<u>World Total</u>	: 4.1	: 20	: 4.9	: 22	: 1	: 37	: 3	: 6	
<u>World Less U.S.</u>	: 5.6	: 23	: 4.9	: 18	: 2	: 34	: 3	: 6	
<u>Major Competitors ^{3/}</u>	: 5.7	: 6	: 12.0	: 4	: -	: 9	: 5	: 4	

^{1/} Less than 500,000 tons.

^{2/} May not add up to 10 if August estimate was the same as final.

^{3/} Includes Canada, Australia, Argentina, and the EC.

NOTE 1: N/A means no published forecasts are available.

NOTE 2: Standard errors of the estimates are derived from 10 year production trends, 1973-1982; percent error is calculated at the mean. The 10 year record is based upon absolute differences from final estimates.

Cotton, rice (rough), and oilseeds production: 1983/84 trend projections and standard errors 1/

Regions	Cotton			Rice (rough)			Oilseeds		
	Trend	Standard error		Trend	Standard error		Trend	Standard error	
	Pro-	Quan-		Pro-	Quan-		Pro-	Quan-	
	jection:	tity	Percent	jection:	tity	Percent	jection:	tity	Percent
	--Mil. bales--			---Mil. MT---			---Mil. MT---		
U.S. <u>2/</u>	7.8	0.7	8.9	4.9	.2	3.9	50.2	2.5	5.0
Canada	---	---	---	---	---	---	2.9 <u>3/</u>	.7	25.1
Western Europe:	---	---	---	1.6	.1	9.1	---	---	---
Eastern Europe:	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
USSR	13.3	.6	4.5	2.7	.2	6.2	4.4 <u>4/</u>	.6	13.1
Centrally									
Planned Asia:									
PRC	13.8	1.7	12.3	153.2	3.4	2.2	---	---	---
South Asia									
Bangladesh	---	---	---	21.5	.7	3.3	---	---	---
Burma	---	---	---	14.2	.9	6.7	---	---	---
India	6.4	.3	4.7	78.0	8.0	10.2	6.0 <u>5/</u>	.7	11.2
Pakistan	3.5	.5	14.3	5.4	.2	4.0	---	---	---
Near East &									
Other Asia									
Indonesia	---	---	---	33.9	1.6	4.6	---	---	---
Japan	---	---	---	12.7	1.1	8.8	---	---	---
South Korea	---	---	---	7.5	.8	11.3	---	---	---
Thailand	---	---	---	18.4	1.1	6.1	---	---	---
Middle East									
and Africa									
Egypt	2.3	.2	8.7	---	---	---	---	---	---
Senegal	---	---	---	---	---	---	.8 <u>5/</u>	.3	32.2
South Africa	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Sudan	.6	.2	33.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Turkey	2.2	.2	9.1	---	---	---	---	---	---
Latin America									
& Caribbean									
Argentina	.6	.2	33.3	.3	.03	9.1	---	---	---
Brazil	3.1	.3	9.7	9.5	.7	7.1	15.6 <u>6/</u>	1.5	9.6
Mexico	1.2	.4	33.3	---	---	---	---	---	---
Oceania									
Australia	---	---	---	.8	.1	16.0	---	---	---
Foreign	54.8	2.5	4.6	416.8	8.1	2.0	---	---	---
World	68.7	3.8	5.5	424.5	8.4	2.0	182.2	8.0	4.3 <u>7/</u>

1/ This table provides a measure of year-to-year variability in production from linear trend during 1973/74-1982/83. Data reflect one standard error, i.e. 67-percent confidence level. In the case of USSR cotton, for example, there is a 67-percent probability that 1983/84 production will total within 0.6 million bales or 4.5 percent of the trend projection of 13.3 million. Production estimates may differ from trend, based on analysts' judgement and other factors. 2/ Crop Reporting Board estimates of U.S. production and associated root mean square errors. Oilseeds are soybeans only. 3/ Rapeseed. 4/ Sunflowerseed. 5/ Peanuts. 6/ Soybeans. 7/ Percentages for individual oilseeds: soybeans, 6.2; cottonseed, 5.4; sunflowerseed, 7.5; peanuts, 6.0; rapeseed, 7.5, and flaxseed, 10.5.

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